Workshop Agenda



Project No. 45189 – Rulemaking Amending PUC Substantive Rules to Implement HB 1101, 84th Legislative Session, Related to the Elimination of the System Benefit Fund Balance

November 16, 2015, 9:30 A.M. Commissioners' Hearing Room 1701 N. Congress Ave., Austin, Texas

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- I. Should the Continued Provision of Certain Low-Income Benefits by REPs be Mandatory or Voluntary?
 - a. Option 1: Requiring REPs to Continue to Provide Low-Income Benefits
 - i. Determining Eligibility: Lifeline Program Database
 - 1. Size of Customer Pool
 - 2. Cost Impact to the PUC and to REPs
 - 3. Legal Issues
 - 4. Customer Notification/Education
 - ii. Other Options for Determining Eligibility
 - b. Option 2: Allowing REPs to Voluntarily Offer Low-Income Benefits
 - i. Why or Why Not?
 - ii. Eligibility Criteria/Self-Identification
 - iii. Necessity of a Rule
- II. Rule Drafting Issues
 - a. New Section?
 - b. Obsolete References (e.g., §25.454, §39.903, Rate Reduction Program, LITE-UP, System Benefit Fund, etc.)
 - c. Effective Date
- III. Other Concerns and Suggestions